

**NYMPFIELD PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of the Meeting held on**  
**12<sup>th</sup> September 2016 at 7:30pm in the Village Hall**

**Present:** Cllrs Mrs Sturgess (chair), Miss Cowle, Mrs Pittaway, Mr Acton and Mrs Hardy

**In Attendance:** Cllrs Lydon and Dewey and 2 parishioners

**Apologies:** None

**16/90 Declaration of Interest**

Cllr Pittaway declared an interest in the Haye House under planning.

**16/91 Minutes of the Annual Parish meeting and the last meeting held on the 9<sup>th</sup> August 2016**

Previously circulated, an amendment was agreed to state the verge on the road out of the village has been cut back but not the hedges. The minutes of meeting were then confirmed as a true record and signed by the chair.

**16/92 Progress Reports for Information**

**Report from Cllr Lydon:** Update circulated prior to the meeting. Cllr Lydon to investigate setting a 20mph limit in the village and specifically if this would include Cockadilly. A traffic order would be required at a cost of £8-10K. Requests for the lengthsman scheme to be sent to Cllr Lydon. Sign at Cockadilly has been replaced, thanks to Cllr Lydon for funding this. Cllr Lydon has a fund of £5K for youth projects – a notice to be placed in the newsletter to advertise this.

All  
Clerk

**Report from Cllr Dewey:** Report presented.

**16/93 Village Maintenance**

**Repair of Sara Wooldridge memorial plaque:** Cllr Acton to help Cllr Cowle take down the plaque for repair.

**Dog Fouling:** Cllr Acton has been working with Dominic Everiss, our neighbourhood warden, on this issue. Mr. Everiss has carried out patrols and Cllr Acton will run a campaign in the newsletter.

DA

**Hedging as you leave the village towards the Bath Road:** Hedges can't be cut until the 1<sup>st</sup> September, but ideally the hedges should be grubbed out. Mrs. Wooldridge, who was present at the meeting, agreed to ask Mr. Wooldridge to contact the council about grubbing out the hedges where the metal fencing is in place. Mr. Smith, also present, agreed to ask Ed Spencer who owns the other field, to contact the clerk.

**16/94 Highways**

Agreed to wait for Cllr Lydon to advise on the criteria/scope of a 20mph speed limit in the village before discussing road safety further.

**16/95 Correspondence**

**Devolution 'observations' Letter from GAPTC:** no action

**Comic Relief Grant Opportunity at Gloucestershire Community Foundation:** include in newsletter

Clerk

**Survey on local council engagement with planning authorities:** no comment

**Stroud District Council Taxi Policy – Consultation on Proposed Amendments:** no comment

**Stroud Youth Funding Programme 2016 round 2:** include in newsletter

**Great British Food Tourism Grants, DEFRA:** include in newsletter

**Neighbourhood Policing Panel Meeting 27<sup>th</sup> September:** Cllr Cowle to attend

**Department of Transport Consultation:** no action

**Member Development Programme:** Cllrs advised of training opportunities

Clerk  
Clerk  
SC

**16/96 Listing Community Assets**

Cllr Sturges to request on invitation to the next Village Hall committee meeting to try to progress this.

ES

## 16/97 Management of the Village Green

The lease has not been confirmed. Ben Carter and Ian Crossland to be invited to the next meeting.

DA/Clerk

## 16/98 Planning

### S.16/1732/FUL and S.16/1733/LBC Outbuildings At Rose & Crown Church Street.

Alteration and change of use of existing outbuilding into a single residential dwelling, together with associated works: Cllr Acton proposed the council strongly object on the grounds that this is a community asset and the development will 'strangle' the pub, seconded by Cllr Hardy and agreed by all.

Clerk

S.16/1866/FUL Mobile Home opposite New Court Farm, Townsend. Erection of two farm cottages and removal of existing mobile home: Cllr Hardy proposed that the council support the application, seconded by Cllr Cowle and agreed by all.

Clerk

S.16/1761/FUL Land at Tinkley Corner. Change of use from agriculture to wood processing yard and erection of buildings: Cllr Acton proposed the application be support with some conditions: external materials used are natural and will not resonant with noise generated; area south of the hedging remain clear; no new buildings under permitted development; and limitations on traffic movements, hours of business and expansion be set to take into account the situation. Seconded by Cllr Cowle and agreed by all.

Clerk

**Pre-application consultation for new mobile phone base station:** Photograph of mast in another location supplied. Clerk to ask if it can be situated near the weather station or on the opposite side of the footpath, near the trees where it will be less prominent.

Clerk

**Haye House, The Haye; garden building:** Cllr Pittaway advised that although planning permission is not required for the building an application has been made for the avoidance of any doubt.

## 16/99 Finance

**Grant request for Citizens Advice Bureau Stroud:** Cllr Acton proposed a grant of £50, seconded by Cllr Hardy and agreed by all.

**External audit update:** The account were approved with an advisory that acceptance of the governance statements and accounts must have different reference in the minutes.

An update of the accounts has been circulated and a paper copy provided for Cllr Cowle to review for the next meeting.

SC

The following expenditure was agreed and the appropriate cheques drawn:

12/09/16 T.W. Hawkins	Grass cutting, inv # 7752	£432.00
12/09/16 Ann Robertson	Clerk salary August	£144.00

## 16/100 Councillors' reports and items for future agendas

Request that verge cutting and drain clearance on Church Lane and opposite the village hall car park to be included in the next spring clean.

A dog poo bin has been requested for the bottom of Cotswold Terrace as use of the litter bin caused an issue with odor over the summer.

It was noted that Stagecoach replied to advise that the bus should be using the bus stop and should this be prevented by parked cars, drivers should check for waiting passengers. A notice was placed in the newsletter with a contact number.

**Chair's Signature.....Date.....**

**Date of next Meeting:** *The next meeting of the council was scheduled for 7:30pm on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2016 in Nympsfield Village Hall*